

For Administrative Use.

ESTIMATES OF IMPORTS INTO THE UNITED STATES

Commodity	Allocation : Period : Beginning *	Unit	Import : Estimate:	Comments
Dairy and Poultry Products - Cheese	: 4-1-44	: Mil. lbs.	: 5	: CFB allocation. Consists of soft cheese from Argentina to be imported by trade, subject to M-63 licenses.
Casein	: *1-1-44	: Mil. lbs.	: 54	: CFB Rec. No. 99 provides for joint purchase of 73 million pounds in Argentina to be subject to CFB and CRMB allocation. PD No. 4 to FEA to procure 24,000 tons from Argentina and Uruguay is held up by WPB.
				: The above imports are effected by current negotiations on joint UK-US purchase of dairy products in Argentina.
Chickens	: *4-1-44	: Mil. lbs.	: 2	: CFB Rec. No. 124 allocates 3
Turkeys	: *4-1-44	: Mil. lbs.	: 3	: million pounds of turkeys and 2 million pounds of chickens to the U.S. from Argentina and Uruguay. Negotiations on purchase agreement with U.K. proceeding favorably. Directive No. 15 signed 5-9-44
Eggs, fresh & frozen	: *4-1-44	: Mil. doz.	: .9	: No CFB allocation. Chiefly commercial imports from Canada exempt from M-63. Review not necessary.
Fats & Oils except Butter and Lard	: 4-1-44	: Mil. lbs.	: 1,173	: CFB allocation. FR&AC allocation is based on estimates of probable imports which are within CFB Committee recommended allocation and WSA quotas. Under the CFB allocation, U.S. is exclusive purchaser of oilseeds oils, and fats in North and South America (excluding Canada, but including the Caribbean Islands) except animal fats in Argentina and Uruguay; of all oilseeds, oils and

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Fats & Oils except Butter and Lard-contd:	:	:	:	fats in Portuguese Africa, Spanish Africa, and Liberia; and of copra in Tahiti and other French Pacific Islands.
	:	:	:	Quotas are under continuous review by Food Importation Committee. Public purchases are covered by Procurement Directive No. 1 to FEA, as amended. Tendency is to return import initiative to private channels and in some cases remove from M-63 listing.
Butter	: 4-1-44	:	0	CFB allocation.
Lard	: 4-1-44	:	0	CFB allocation includes imports of Mexico and Cuba. U.K. is exclusive purchaser in Argentina of animal fats.
Dry Beans	: 4-1-44	: Mil. bags:	3	No CFB allocation. 1-1/2 million bags is a more reasonable estimate of imports, all of which are garbanzos from Mexico, to be purchased by FEA under existing contract. PD No. 5 consolidating directives for purchasing dry legumes in other Latin American countries shelved.
Dry Peas	: 4-1-44	: Mil. bags:	.1	No CFB allocation from Chile.
Sugar, beet and cane	: 4-1-44	: 1,000 sh.: : tons	4,771	FR&AC allocation to be revised in light of revised estimates of Caribbean crop. CFB provisional Rec. No. 103 allocate to U.S. all the exportable surplus of Cuba, except 160,000 tons for U.K. of Puerto Rico, Hawaii, and the mainland WSA quotas reviewed by Food Importation Committee, but not modified.
Maple sugar	: *1-1-44	: Mil. lbs.:	4) Continental imports
Honey	: *1-1-44	: Mil. lbs.:	36	
Molasses, syrups	: *1-1-44	: Mil. lbs.:	12	Based on WSA quota for edible molasses.

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Canned fish	7-1-44	Mil. lbs.	10	:CFB allocation pending. U.K. :is exclusive purchaser in :Canada, South Africa, Portu- :gal and Spain. PD No. 3 to :FEA for purchase up to 400 :tons a month of bonito fil- :lets from Peru for PR&VI has :several requests for quotas. :Food Importation Committee :approved.
Salted & cured fish	7-1-43	Mil. lbs.	66.9	:CFB allocation pending. CFB :recommendations covered 1943 :catch. PD No. 6 for 59,500 :pounds from Newfoundland not :effective; supplies already :sold. Is cancelled. Direc- :tive Nos. 17 and 18 providing :for public purchase of 4,000 :barrels of Newfoundland split :herring plus 1,792,000 pounds :dried salted codfish from :Newfoundland for P.R. before :July 1, 1944 was signed :4/28/44.
Fresh and frozen fish	7-1-43	Mil. lbs.	75	:No CFB allocation. Not :covered by M-63.
Rice	4-1-44		0	:No CFB allocation. Food Im- :portation Committee has re- :viewed and modified rice :directives.
Barley	*1-1-44	Mil. bu.	15	:No CFB allocation.
Oats	*1-1-44	Mil. bu.	50	:No CFB allocation.
Rye	*1-1-44	Mil. bu.	6	:No CFB allocation.
Corn	*1-1-44	Mil. bu.	2	:No CFB allocation. :In the light of current food :shortage Food Importation Com- :mittee has reviewed negotia- :tions to import 700,000 tons :of corn from Argentina by pri- :vate purchase with corn remov- :ed from M-63, and 100,000 tons :of corn from Brazil in exchang :for 18,000 tons of fuel oil. :WSA has indicated 10 ships may

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Corn - continued					be made available the third quarter of 1944 to move the corn but imports of coffee from Brazil or of other materials in South America would have to be reduced.
Wheat	*1-1-44		Mil. bu.	170	Under CFB allocation. This is from Canada and would be purchased by CCC.
Protein feeds	*1-1-44				CFB allocation for 1944. U.S purchases are commercial. U.S exclusive purchaser in Argentina of vegetable protein feeds. Purchases of animal protein feeds by U.S. and U.K to be made under a price agreement, the limitation to be U.S. ceiling prices.
Nitrogenous & Potassic Fertilizers	*1-1-44				CFB Recs. No. 125 and No. 129 provide for nitrogenous fertilizers for U.S. from Canada. CFB Rec. No. 114 provides 3,080 short tons of K ₂ O in the form of nitrate of soda-potash from Chile to U.S. CFB Rec. No. 117 recommends the purchase by an appropriate U.S. agency of 30,000 metric tons of Muriate of potash from Spain for liberated areas.
Tea	1-1-44		Mil. lbs.	90	Pending CFB allocation is 80-90 million pounds. WSA quota is 90. PD No. 11 to FEA to procure up to 90 million pounds from India and Ceylon where U.K. is exclusive purchaser.
Green Coffee beans	*1-1-44		Mil. lbs.	2,301	No CFB allocation. 68 of this comes by rail from Mexico. Estimated on basis of WSA quota. PD No. 8 directs FE to purchase 1½ million pounds from Dominican Republic for Puerto Rico.

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Cocoa beans	: 1-1-44	: Mil. lbs.	692	: CFB allocation under consideration. Shipping quotas recommended by Food Importation Committee. PD No. 10 to FEA to purchase $\frac{1}{2}$ Ivory Coast mid-crop and PD No. 13 to purchase 30,000 tons in British West Africa in participation with U.K.
Tree nuts	: *7-1-43	: Mil. lbs.	20.1	: Import estimates based on shipping quotas (U.S. position (March 31, 1944) to make 2,000 tons of shelled almonds in Sicily available to U.S. importers.)
Fresh vegetables	: *7-1-43	: Mil. lbs.	296	: No quota or allocation. Mostly tomatoes. Includes 6.4 million pounds of garlic. PD No. 7 to FEA to procure additional 1,200 tons from Mexico to Chile and Argentina was cancelled because supplies not available at price we can pay.
Dehydrated vegetables	: 7-1-44	: 1,000 lbs.	0	: U.S. is principal producer. FEA has contract with American Dehydrating Company of Cuba for 40 million pounds. Arrangements being made to cancel the contract.
Dehydrated Bananas	: *	: 1,000 lbs.	1.2	: No allocation. Request for quota to Food Importation Committee has been approved.
Dry Onions	: 7-1-43	: Mil. lbs.	75	: No CFB allocation. Imports to have been made in Jan.-Mar. quarter, and FEA made small purchases from Mexico. Proposed return to private purchase. Present indications are for good domestic supply.
Canned vegetables	: 7-1-43	:	0	: No CFB allocation. Request for quota of pimentos from Argentina and tomatoes from Cuba approved by Food Importation Committee.

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Fresh fruit, except citrus	*7-1-43	Mil. lbs.	1,318	Chiefly bananas, pineapples and apples. Import estimates determined by shipping quotas reviewed in Food Importation Committee. Initiative comes from trade. May import some apples from Canada for processing here.
Dried Fruit	7-1-43	Sh. tons	900	CFB allocation from Argentina Was imported and sold to Sweden but not delivered. Now in store on Staten Island.
Canned Fruit	7-1-43		0	No CFB allocation. FR&AC Subcommittee has recommended supplies of citrus concentrate and pulp in Sicily be allocated by CFB.
Vitamin A	1-1-44	Tri. units	10.8	CFB allocation. WPB controls distribution. Imported by trade in form of unconcentrated product or raw materials under no quota restriction.
Carotene	*			Food Importation Committee forwarded 3/30/44 a directive No. 14 to FEA to purchase 2,500 tons high carotene palm oil for CFB allocation.
Ascorbic acid, riboflavin, thiamine, niacin	1-1-44		0	CFB allocation pending. U.S. is principal producing country.
Citric acid & Tartaric	*1-1-44	1000 lbs.	250	Allocated by WPB. CFB allocation pending. FEA negotiation for 400 long tons in Sicily for U.S., subject to CFB allocation.
Essential Oils				Oil of peppermint allocated R&AC. Supplies in Sicily, Italy and North Africa under CFB negotiations.
Yeast	1-1-44		0	No CFB allocation.
Spices				
Pepper	10-1-43	1000 lbs.	0	No imports available.

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Spices - continued	:	:	:	:
Pimento	:	:	: <u>1/2,672</u>	:CFB allocation: to be removed
	:	:	:	:after July 1 because in good
	:	:	:	:supply.
Cinnamon and cassia	:	:	: <u>1/4,528</u>	:CFB allocation.
Cloves	:	:	: 4,480	:No CFB allocation.
Ginger	:	:	: 4,000	:Informal CFB allocation.
Mace	:	:	: <u>1/ 657</u>	:CFB allocation.
Nutmeg	:	:	: <u>1/5,210</u>	:CFB allocation.
	:	:	:	:(Assumed that shipping quotas
	:	:	:	:are adjusted to CFB alloca-
	:	:	:	:tions.)
	:	:	:	:
Vegetable seeds	: 7-1-43	:100 lbs.	: 446	:CFB allocation. Rec. No. 105
Field seeds	: 7-1-43	:Mil. lbs.	: 20	:January 20, 1944, on seeds to
	:	:	:	:liberated areas provide for
	:	:	:	:amounts from North Africa
	:	:	:	:to be purchased by approved
	:	:	:	:authorities of U.S.-U.K. and
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* Estimated imports of commodities not under FR&AC allocation.

1/ Includes some amounts for Western Hemisphere countries except U.S. and Canada.

